

Board/CommissionDivision of County GovernmentName: Randolph Meade WalkerDate of Birth: March 24, 1950 Race Black M X F     Business Name: Castalia Baptist ChurchBusiness Address: 1540 Castalia St. Zip: 38114 Phone 276-7295E-mail rmwalker01@comcast.net Fax 276-9487Education: Ph.D. University of Memphis - 1990Name of Spouse: Deloris A. Number of Children 2Home Address: 2062 Jamie Dr. Zip 38116 Phone 346-6990Resident of Shelby County 37 years.Have you ever been convicted of a felony? Yes      No XI give authorization to Shelby County Government to request that the Shelby County Sheriff's Department perform a background check. Yes X No     

I also understand that other sources including the official state websites listing sexual predators and a check of outstanding balances owed to departments and offices of county government may be performed.

yes

List any affiliation or ownership interest you have in any business, corporation, or partnership, and if such business contracts with or sells products or services to Shelby County Government.

none

List members of family, where employed, and whether or not their employer contracts with or sells products or services to Shelby County Government.

none  
Signature9/29/09

Date

(For Office Use Only)

Attendance Record (if applicable)

No. of Meetings      No. Attend      No. Absent     

Disposition:

Approval      Resolution      Item #



**NOTICE TO ALL PROSPECTIVE APPOINTEES TO SHELBY COUNTY BOARDS,  
AUTHORITIES OR COMMISSIONS**

Pursuant to Resolution #26 adopted July 26, 1993, as amended, each person who submits his or her name for nomination to serve on a board, authority, or commission subject to approval by the Shelby County Board of Commissioners shall submit a list of all private county, social, athletic or professional clubs of which that person is a member. In the event it is determined that any such clubs are discriminatory in choosing their members on the basis of race, sex, or religion, the Shelby County Board of Commissioners may use this information in voting to reject the nominee.

Pursuant to the aforementioned Resolution you are hereby required to list all private country, social, athletic or professional clubs of which you belong.

- 1 Whitehaven Kiwanis Club
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8

List below any of the aforementioned clubs of which you belong that do not have female members.

- 1 none
- 2
- 3
- 4

List below any of the aforementioned clubs of which you belong that do not have minority group members (e.g., African American, Hispanic, Asian).

- 1 none
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_

Do any of the aforementioned clubs of which you belong discriminate in selecting members based on race, sex, or religion?

Circle Below:

Yes ☒ No

Submitted: Randolph Meade Walker  
(Print Name)

Signature: *Randolph Meade Walker*

Date: 9/29/09



**GRATUITY DISCLOSURE FORM****Shelby County Ethics Commission**

*INSTRUCTIONS: This form is for all persons receiving any Shelby County Government contract, land use approval or financial grant money to report any gratuity that has been given, directly or indirectly, to any elected official, employee or appointee (including their spouses and immediate family members) who is involved in the decision regarding the contract, land use approval, or financial grant of money.*

**1. NAME**

no one

**2. DATE OF GRATUITY****3. NATURE AND PURPOSE OF THE GRATUITY****4. NAME OF THE OFFICIAL, EMPLOYEE, APPOINTEE, OR FAMILY MEMBER WHO RECEIVED THE GRATUITY****5. NAME OF THE PERSON OR ENTITY THAT PROVIDED THE GRATUITY****6. ADDRESS OF THE PERSON OR ENTITY THAT PROVIDED THE GRATUITY**

**7. DESCRIPTION OF THE GRATUITY**

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**8. COST OF THE GRATUITY (If cost is unknown and not reasonably discernible by the person giving the gratuity, then the person giving the gratuity shall report a good faith estimate of the cost of the gratuity.)**

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**9. The information contained in this Gratuity Disclosure Form, and any supporting documentation or materials referenced herein or submitted herewith, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and affirm that I have not given, directly or indirectly, any gratuity to any elected official, employee or appointee (including spouse and immediate family members) that has not been disclosed and I affirm that I have not violated the provisions of the Shelby County Government Code of Ethics.**

  
Signature

9/29/09

Date

Randolph Meade Walker  
Print Name

*A copy of your completed form will be placed on the Shelby County Internet website.*



## Vita

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Memphis, Tennessee 38116  
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### Education

#### *Professional School*

Memphis Theological Seminary  
Memphis, Tennessee  
M. Div.  
May 15, 2004

#### *Graduate School*

The University of Memphis  
Memphis, Tennessee  
Ph.D. in American History since 1877  
December 15, 1990

The University of Memphis  
Memphis, Tennessee  
M.A. in American History since 1877  
May 8, 1976

#### *Dissertation*

"The Metamorphosis of Sutton E. Griggs:  
A Southern Black Minister's  
Transformation in Theological and  
Sociological Thought During the Early  
Twentieth Century"

#### *Undergraduate*

Hampton University  
Hampton, Virginia  
B.A. in American History  
May 19, 1972

University of Virginia  
Charlottesville, Virginia  
(Studied on exchange, Spring Semester,  
1971)

#### *High School*

Central High School  
Heathsville, Virginia  
June, 1968

**Work Experience**

2005-Present

LeMoyn-Owen College  
 Memphis, Tennessee  
 Visiting Professor of History

1998-Present

Castalia Baptist Church  
 Memphis, Tennessee  
 Pastor

1987-2002

LeMoyn-Owen College  
 Memphis, Tennessee  
 Associate Professor of History and Director  
 of the Center for African and African  
 American Studies

1982-1996

New Philadelphia Baptist Church  
 Memphis, Tennessee  
 Pastor

1994, 2005-Present

Memphis, Theological Seminary  
 Memphis, Tennessee  
 Adjunct Professor of Church History

1986, 1992, 2005, &amp; Present

The University of Memphis  
 Memphis, Tennessee  
 Adjunct Professor of American History

1972-1986

AC-Delco Division of General Motors  
 Corporation  
 Memphis, Tennessee Sales

1976-1982

Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church  
 Henning, Tennessee  
 Pastor

1970-1972

New Elam Baptist Church  
 New Kent, Virginia  
 Assistant Pastor

**Honors**

*Outstanding African American Alumnus,*  
 2008

Memphis Theological Seminary

*Herman Ewing Award, 2008*

Memphis Urban League

*Degree*  
 2002

L.L.D.  
 LeMoyn-Owen College  
 Memphis, Tennessee



***Professional***

Who's Who in America, 2004

International Who's Who, 1998

Who's Who Among America's Teachers  
1998

AC-Delco Honor Council, 1980

Visiting Chaplain  
LeMoyne-Owen College  
Spring Semester, 1986

Carter Godwin Woodson Award of Merit  
Shelby State Community College  
Memphis, Tennessee, 1995

George E. Freeman Library Award  
State Technical Institute Memphis,  
Tennessee, 2000

***Scholarship***

State Board of Regents  
The University of Memphis  
1987-1990

Black Studies Scholarship Certificate  
Hampton University  
June, 1972

***Civic***

Outstanding Young Man of America 1981

**Affiliations**

***Organizational Memberships***

Castalia Baptist Church

West Tennessee Historical Society

Southern Conference on Afro-American  
Studies

Memphis Urban League, Inc.

National Association for the Advancement  
of Colored People

Whitehaven Kiwanis



***Board Memberships***

Memphis Theological Seminary Trustee  
Board, 2004-Present

President, Whitehaven Kiwanis, 2008-2009

President, Southern Conference on Afro-  
American Studies, 2009-2010

***Offices Held***

Moderator, West Tennessee Baptist  
Missionary and Educational Assoc./2009-  
Present

Treasurer, Mid-South Peace and Justice  
Center, 1999

Secretary, Memphis Theological Seminary  
Board of Trustees, 2006-2008

Chairman, Mid-South Peace and Justice  
Center, 1998

Dean, Greater Memphis Sunday School  
and Nurture for Baptist Churches  
Congress, 1985-1995

Director, Christian Education  
West Tennessee Baptist Missionary and  
Educational Association, 1990-1994

Chairman, Black Brotherhood, 1989-1992

Third Vice President, Memphis Baptist  
Ministerial Association, 1985

First Vice Moderator, West Tennessee  
Baptist Missionary and Educational  
Association, 1981-1982, 2008-Present

**Publications*****Poems:***

"South African Nocturnal Sky", **Treasured Poems of America Winter 1996**  
Sisterville, WV.: Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum, Inc., 1996.

"Distance Makes The Heart Grow Fonder", **Famous Poems of the Twentieth  
Century** Los Angeles: Famous Poets Society, 1996



"Appeal For Reconciliation", Collections: Contemporary Verse From Around the World Sterling Heights, MI. Iliad Press, 1997.

"Tribute to Wilma Rudolph", Echoes of Destiny ed. by Charles J. Palmer and Jacqueline Palmer, Abilene, TX.: Creative Science Enterprises, 1998.

**Editorials:**

Writes a weekly column for the Tri-State Defender (newspaper), 1987-1996, 2007-Present.

Wrote a weekly column for The Silver Star News (newspaper), 1999-2001

**Sermons:**

"Identity Crisis" The Student LXII (February, 1983), 35-37.

"Having It Made" and "The Value of a Name" The National Baptist Pulpit (1981-1982), 155-161.

"Have Your Own" Living In Hell: The Dilemma of African-American Survival edited by Mose Placuse, Jr. and Fred C. Lofton, Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 1995, pp. 104-110.

**History:**

"The Role of the Black Clergy in Memphis during the Crump Era", The West Tennessee Historical Society Papers XXXII (October, 1979), 29-47.

"The Importance of Multicultural Education: A Historian's Point of View", Dimensions of Power: Readings in Power & Society edited by Clifford D. Merryman and Femi I. Ajanaku. Acton, MA.: Copley Custom Publishing Group, 1996, pp. 137-138.

"An Afrocentric View: History's Theological Basis", The Griot XVI (Fall, 1997), 35-39.

"Nineteenth Century Ante-bellum African American Accomplishments" African Americans: Their History edited by Howard Jones, New York: American Heritage Custom Publishing, 1997, 99.47-54.

"Dialectic Tensions in T.O.Fuller's Historical Writings", The West Tennessee Historical Society Papers LI (December, 1997), 21-34.

"Liberation Through Economic Preparation", The Griot XIX (Spring, 2000), 47-52.

**Encyclopedia:**



"Slave Ships" The African American Encyclopedia. New York: Marshall Cavendish Corp., 1470-1473.

"Slave Trade" The African American Encyclopedia. New York: Marshall Cavendish Corp., 1473-1476.

"Post-Enlightenment Ethics" Ready Reference: Ethics. California: Salem Press Inc., (May, 1994), 683-686.

"Racism" Ready Reference: Ethics. California: Salem Press Inc., (May, 1994), 722-726.

"Abernathy, Ralph", The Encyclopedia of African-American Culture and History. New York: MacMillan Library Reference U.S.A., 1996, 5-6.

"Church of God in Christ", The Tennessee Encyclopedia of History & Culture. Nashville: Rutledge Hill Press, 1998, 159.

#### ***Book Reviews***

Coppock, Helen M. and Crawford, Charles W. ed. Paul R. Coppock's Midsouth, Vol. II, 1971-1975, Memphis: Paul R. Coppock Publication Trust, 1992 in Tennessee Librarian, XLVI, Winter, 1994, pp. 33-34.

Luker, Ralph E. The Social Gospel in Black and White: American Racial Reform, 1885-1912, Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, [New paper ed.], 1998 in Arkansas Review: A Journal of Delta Studies, XXIX, August, 1998, pp. 122-123.

#### ***Books***

Organization For the Organism: A Survey of Church Positions and Auxiliaries. Memphis: Walker Publishing, 1987.

The Metamorphosis of Sutton E. Griggs: The Transformation from Black Radical to Conservative, 1913-1933. Memphis: Walker Publishing, 1991.

Journal of a Foreign Descendant: An African American Analyzes Africa. Memphis: Walker Publishing, 1994.

#### **Other Professional Contributions:**

Presented the paper, "The Literary Metamorphosis of Sutton E. Griggs" before Tennessee State University's Afro-American Conference (February, 1990)

Researched and commissioned "Preaching in Ebony" art exhibit (1990).

Researched and commissioned "Inventions in Ebony" art exhibit (1997).



Presented the paper, "The Theological Perspective of Young Sutton E. Griggs" before the West Tennessee Historical Society (February 13, 1989).

Co-Presented a paper on "Afrocentricity: LeMoyn-OWen College's Venture in Heritage Education" at the Association for General and Liberal Studies, Seattle, Washington, 1991.

Presented the paper, "Merits of Multicultural Education" before the Memphis City School Board (February, 1992).

Presented the paper, "The Genealogical Philosophy of Sutton E. Griggs" before the Afro-American Genealogical and Historical Society, Carbondale, Illinois, 1993.

Presented the paper, "The Rational for a Pluralistic Curriculum" before the Memphis City School Multicultural Education Symposium, 1993.

Presented the paper, "The Economic Philosophy of Malcolm X" before the Association of Caribbean Studies, Cairo, Egypt, 1993.

Held a series of workshops using the African American Experience as a paradigm for the transition to Democracy in South Africa at Sebokeng College of Education, Sebokeng, South Africa, 1994.

Presented the paper, "Exporting Knowledge Beyond the Ivory Tower" before the Association of Integrative Studies, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 1994.

Presented the paper, "African American Culture: The Whole is the Sum of Its Parts" before The Second National African American Student Leadership Conference at Austin Peay State University, Clarksville, Tennessee, 1995.

Presented the paper, "Albert King's Little Brother's Philosophy of History" before the Delta Symposium: The Blues, Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, Arkansas, 1995.

Presented the paper, "Why A commemoration of the Middle Passage?" before the Fifth National Conference of the Association for Black Culture Centers at Knox College, Galesburg, Illinois, 1995.

Presented the paper, "Prospects for Nigeria in the Twenty-First Century" before The Developing Nations in the Twenty-First Century Symposium at The University of Memphis, Memphis, Tennessee, 1995.

Presented the paper, "The Great Migration as Reflected in Albert King's Cadillac Assembly Line" before the Delta Symposium: The Blues II, Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, Arkansas, 1996.

Held workshops entitled "Dealing With Ethical Dilemmas as Chair" for Rust College, Holly Springs, Mississippi, 1996-1999.



Presented the paper, "Nonviolent Leadership: A Concept Whose Time Has Passed?" before the Minority Male Consortium, Baltimore, Maryland, 1996.

Presented the paper, "An Afrocentric View: History's Theological Basis" before the Southern Conference on Afro-American Studies, Atlanta, Georgia, 1997.

Presented the paper, "Multiculturalism and Christian Evangelism: Contradiction or Completion?" at the Role & Responsibilities of the Christian Professor in the Academy Conference, The University of Memphis, Memphis, Tennessee, 1997.

Presented the paper, "Common Ground in Albert King's 'Born Under A Bad Sign' and Erskine Caldwell's Tobacco Road" before the Delta Symposium III: the Blues and Beyond, Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, Arkansas, 1997.

Presented the paper, "Pan-Africanism and the Problem of Culture" before The First International Symposium sponsored by the West African Research Association, Dakar, Senegal, 1997.

Presented the paper, "Frazier Revisited Forty Years Later" before the Seventh National Conference of the Association for Black Culture Centers, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland, 1997.

Presented the paper, "Liberation Through Economic Preparation" before The Fourth National African American Student Leadership Conference at Rust College, Holly Springs, Mississippi, 1998.

Presented the paper, "Dialectic Tensions in T.O. Fuller's Historical Writings" before the Southern Conference on Afro-American Studies, New Orleans, Louisiana, 1998.

Presented the paper, "Metaphysical Pragmatism in Albert King's Angel of Mercy" before the Delta Studies Symposium IV: Creative Expressions Beyond the Blues at Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, Arkansas, 1998.

Presented the paper, "Sutton E. Griggs' Paradigm Shift: From DuBois to Washington" before the Third Annual International Interdisciplinary Conference: Writers of African Descent Speak at Morgan State University, Baltimore, Maryland, 1999.

Presented the paper, "Identification and Eradication of Bigotries' Bond" before the Baylor Pruitt Memorial Symposium: Cultivating Citizens at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, 1999.

Served as visiting professor for the Doctor of Ministry in Black Church Leadership-Historical Emphasis at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, Spring, 2000.

Presented the paper, "New Light on Africa: Afrocentricity vs. Inferiority Myths" before the Southern Conference on Afro-American Studies, Little Rock, Arkansas, 2000.



Co-Presented the paper, "Historical Considerations as Governance in Mexican American and African American Relations" before the Intercultural Development Across the Border II: An International Research and Cultural Exchange Between the United States and Mexico, sponsored by The University of Vera Cruz (Xalapa) and Texas A&M University, Xalapa, Mexico, 2000.

### Guest Speeches

Christian Brothers University, Memphis, Tennessee, Opening of Black History Month, "Why Celebrate Black History Month in the 1990s?", 1997.

Mississippi State Technical Community College, Knoxville, Tennessee, Parade of Nations, "From Melting Pot to Salad Bowl: Removing the Myth of the Monolith by Admitting Multiculturalism", 1997.

Pink Palace Museum, Memphis, Tennessee, The Henrietta Marie: A Slave Ship Speaks Exhibit, "Maafa: The Horrors of the Middle Passage", 1998.

University of Tennessee for the Health Sciences, Memphis, Tennessee, Black History Month Featured Program, "Selected Highlights of Africa's Contribution to American Medicine", 2000.

National Civil Rights Museum, Memphis, Tennessee, Whispers from the Walls Exhibit, "The African American Historical Background to Whitfield Lovell's Exhibit 'Whispers From the Walls', 2004.